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## AZALEAS

# Fragrant Prelude to the Spring

No flowers more beautifully exemplify the Spirit of the Spring than the Azaleas. In Southern California we find three evergreen varieties that thrive and offer the ultimate in charm and color: the Indicas, Kurumes, and Indica-Macranthas. All through the months of March, April and May they present an unforgetable pageant of bloom.

The gorgeous Indicas, with their large spectacular blossoms and habit of intermittent bloom throughout the year, leave little to be desired.

The Kurumes comprise a most diversified collection.

Last, but not least, the Indica-Macranthas, or early summer flowering Azaleas, with their oriental habit of growth and sparkling flowers.

Many and varied are the uses to which Azaleas may be put: pick them freely for decoration throughout your rooms, use them for favors or wear them as corsages. Their lasting qualities are remarkable. Too, they display charming individuality as pot plants for the house or patio.

This little pamphlet introduces you to three of the "Best Families" of Azaleas. You will, we are sure, wish to make the acquaintance of them all.

We have specialized in Azaleas for many years and now offer a unique selection of the finest varieties and latest introductions.

The varieties mentioned herein represent only a very limited number of our extensive collection.

### INDICAS

ALBERT and ELIZABETH		3			double
BRILLIANT					double
ETOILE de BELGIQUE				•	double
HOLLANDIA					double
LOVELINESS		1		sen	ni-double
MME. MESTAG				•	double
MME. PETRICK .			•		double
PAUL SCHAME .					double
PERLE de SOFFELARE			•		double
PERLE de SWEYNARD	•		•		double
PETRICK SUPERBA ALB	A		•		double
PROFESSOR WOLTERS			•	• /	single
ROMAINE de SMET				•	double
RUBUS	•	•	•		double
SIMON MARDNER			•	40	double
THE BRIDE					double
VERVENEANA ALBA				•	double
VERVENEANA ROSEA	۰			•	double
KUR	U	M E	5		
AVALANCHE					single
BRIDESMAID	1	•	•	1 10	double
DARK SPRING					single
FLAMINGO		100			single
LAUGHING WATER			- 1		single
LILACS	3/ 1	1		y. W	double
PINK BEAUTY		1			double
SALMON QUEEN .					single
SERAPHIM					double
SINGING FOUNTAIN	3		- 1		single
SURPRISE				20	single
INDICA-M	4 C	Rt	AM	TH	AS
CHASTE DIANA .			1.4		single
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FIESTA					single
FIESTA FIRMAMENT					single single
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FIRMAMENT	•			•	single

and many others



Flame-coral and white Brilliant cerise Glowing red Flame Lilac-pink Combination of white, light and brilliant pink Variegated pink and white Warm coral Pure white Pure white Pure white White variegated in rose-pink and maroon variegated rose-pink and white Glowing red-cerise Rose-cerise Soft yet glowing pink Very large pure white Variegated rose and white

Large single white
Salmon-pink tufts
Large pansy-violet
Lovely glowing coral
Large single white
Lilac-like bunches
Warm pink, maroon eye
Soft salmon
Two shades of candy-pink
White with coral-red varigations
Bright cerise

Large and single white Large flame-red White margined in soft coral White mottled in rose-coral Soft lavender

#### AZALEA CULTURE

Azaleas require an acid soil condition, and thrive best in pure peat. Do not add leaf-mold or soil. Dig a hole one-fourth wider than the container and two inches deeper, to insure ample room for an expanding root system, and fill with peat that has been moistened. They must have good drainage. In the event of heavy or adobe soil, it is recommended that you dig a hole at least twice the depth of the container, and fill with stones or coarse gravel up to the level of the peat. Set them rather high.

It is desirable to reset your Azaleas in fresh peat every two or three years; preferably just after the blooming season. Remove the broken down peat with a strong nozzle spray. This can be done easily without injury to the plant.

Top-dress lightly with an Azalea acid food, containing a cotton-sted meal base, three times after the blooming season (May 30, July 15 and September 1), and cultivate to a depth of ½ inch, so as not to disturb the surface roots.

Azaleas enjoy a semi-shady location, such as that afforded by spreading trees or the north side of a house. Keep them reasonably moist, but avoid a boggy condition.

A well chosen selection will give consistent bloom from January through May. During the remainder of the year they make most attractive evergreens. Azaleas are very hardy and came unscathed through the record breaking frost of 1937, without any special protection.

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